Marrickville West Public School Works notification | 11 April 2025

Dear staff, parents and carers,

Further to our <u>works notification on 10 April 2025</u>, we have continued our inspection of all rooms that have had air conditioning installed at Marrickville West Public School.

On Friday 11 April we found ceiling damage from air conditioning installation in the Year 1/2B classroom. This classroom is not listed on the school's asbestos register.

The classroom was immediately locked and students were moved to another classroom. We engaged an independent hygienist to take samples of the ceiling material for testing.

The material has been confirmed as friable asbestos. Friable asbestos can be crumbled, pulverised or reduced to a powder by hand pressure.

Remediation work and additional inspections are planned to take place in the Autumn School Holidays and may include replacement of ceilings, carpet and pinboards and cleaning of all hard surfaces. A clearance certificate will be issued before the classrooms are reopened for use.

For more information about asbestos please refer NSW Health's <u>Asbestos and health risks</u> fact sheet.

Please see a healthcare professional if you have any concerns or contact <u>your local NSW Health Public Health Unit</u> for advice on 1300 066 055.

We will provide an update before school returns for Day 1 Term 2.

All work will be done in accordance with work health and safety laws and the NSW Department of Education's Asbestos Management Plan. Safety measures will be in place while work is being done. All work will be completed by licensed asbestos contractors and inspected by independent hygienists.

The health, safety, and wellbeing of all members of our school and the local community are our highest priorities.

Thank you for your cooperation during this time.



